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George Engel aged 41 next birthday. A miner living in DuQuoin,Il. Born Askersheim, Bavaria, to John Engel and Elizabeth Ziesler. His first marriage.

13 April 1901 Perry Co.,Il. Mg.Bk 2/73.
Father Clocke, Catholic Priest.

Rosa Yost aged 28 next birthday. Living in DuQuoin, Il. Born in Nashville, Il. to Philip Yost and Anna Klerr(?).

Wm. and Lizzie McElroy, witnesses.

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George Engel was supposedly the last person to be legally hanged in Perry County, Il. Catherine Ritter (now deceased) was a little twelve year old girl in the school near the jail and she told me they sat in the classroom and heard the carpenters putting this gallows together for the hanging.

Margaret Brown Mann said her father, Roy Brown, together with W. W. Winn and M. T. (Marshall Theopolis) Winn, better known as "Cap" made the gallows from which George Engel was to be hanged. They were carpenters and may have been assisted by John Shock who sometimes worked eith them.

This gallows was bolted together and made in sections. After the hanging, which took place the morning of October 18th, 1912, it was taken down and stored in the jail. No one knows at this time what ever happened to it.

Tickets were issued for the hanging and Margaret does know that neither her father or the Winns cared to attend.

Father Eschman became the legal guardian of two of the Engel children and they were placed in St. John's Orphanage in Belleville, Il.

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Adoption Rcd. #1 p/16 in Perry Co.,Il., October 1913 term shows that Mary Ann Ready of Randolph Co.,Il., adopted Rosie Engel who was eight years old on June 25th, 1913. (Born 25 June 1905).

Adoption Rcd. #1 p/17 in Perry Co.,Il., October 1913 term shows that Edward C. and Caroline Petry Schneider adopted Carl Engel who was five years old on October 15th, 1913. (Born 15 Oct. 1908).

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Perry County, Il. Death Rcd. Book #2 p/88:

Anna Yost was born at Carlyle, Il. in the year 1871. Philip Yost, her father was born in Germany and Anna Clue, her mother, also born in Germany. She had lived in Illinois all of her life and died 29 May 1912 at 7PM at DuQuoin, Il. She was a divorced wash-woman aged forty-one. Cause of death was a stab wound between the 2nd and 3rd vertebrae on the left side, severing an artery. Weapon in hands of George Engle. She was buried in the DuQuoin Catholic Cemetery on 31 May 1912. C.O.Wellington was the Coroner. Philip Yost, the father of Anna and Rosa was the informant on this certificate.

Perry County, Il. Death Rcd. Book #2 p/90:

Rosa Engel was born at Nashville, Illinois in the year 1870 to Philip Yost, born in Germany, and Anna Clu_, also born in Germany. She had lived in Illinois all of her life and died the 5th of June, 1912 at 4:10 PM. She was a housewife and married. She was buried in the Catholic Cemetery at DuQuoin, Il. Cause of death was a knife wound entering the back between the 2nd and 3rd vertebrae, severing the spinal cord. She lived seven days after the stabbing. C.O.Wellington was the Coroner. (No informant given here but suppose it was done by her father, Philip Yost, as he was such at time of his daughter, Anna Yost's death.)

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There is no record of George Engel's trial and conviction in the records of the Circuit Clerk. This took place in the DuQuoin City Court.

Have not found the death certificate of George Engel but am sure the Coroner must have made a report of it.

George Engel legally hanged at 9:44 A.M. on the 18th of October 1912. He was buried in the Catholic Cemetery beside his wife.

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Rosa and Anna had another sister that I am aware of: Mg.Bk #2/133:

John H. Jackson	age 24 next birthday.A DuQuoin Railroad man.Born Tamaroa to Andrew Jackson and Sarah Hill. His 1st mg.
19 Nov. 1902	M.Teague,Min. Robt.Rees & Geo.Gilliam; Wit.
Mary Yost	age 24 next birthday. Born DuQuoin,Il. to Philip Yost and Anna Clair. Her first marriage.

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From notes of
Elizabeth Eiker Spurgeon,
710 Taffee, Pinckneyville,Il 62274
Recopied 1987.

ENGLE IS SENTENSED TO DIE BY JUDGE B. W. POPE MONDAY

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18 IS DAY SET FOR THE EXECUTION OF TRIPLE MURDERER

Geo. Engel was sentenced by Judge Pope in the Du Quoin city court last Monday at noon and the time for the execution is set for October 18, between the hours of nine o'clock in the morning and four o'clock in the afternoon. Engel took the sentence coolly. The following are the words used by Hon. Judge Pope in pronouncing the sentence;

"Mr. Engel, the Grand Jury chosen for the present term of the City Court of Du Quoin returned against you an indictment, charging you with the murder of your wife, Rosa Engel. You were tried by a jury of your country, fairly and properly selected, and you were by them found guilty of murder in manner and form as charged in the indictment. Your attorneys, in the proper performance of their duties, entered a motion for a new trial. This motion the court has overruled. You have had a fair and impartial trial, and the jury has fixed your punishment at DEATH.

"It would serve no useful purpose at this time to review the evidence introduced at the trial; suffice it to say that the evidence was of such a character as to fully warrant the jury in finding you guilty of the crime charged against you. Whether or not they were warranted in fixing your punishment at death need not be discussed now.

"The crime you committed was a terrible one; it was brutal, unprovoked and utterly inexcusable. If you failed to retain the respect, regard and love of your wife, it was, no doubt, your own fault. You had promised to love, cherish and protect her so long as you both should live, in this she had trusted you and you betrayed the trust. She had borne you children—had gone "down into the valley of the shadow of death" that they might live. She had done nothing to forfeit her right to live upon earth; and when you ruthlessly slew her you took that which you were not able to return and the forfeit for the awful deed must be your own life.

"It is as true now as it was in the days of the Hebrew prophet that he who sows to the wind must be content if he is compelled to Illinois you have forfeited every right to live among men, and those laws say that you must die.

"The sentence of the court must therefore be, and therefore is that you be hence taken by the sheriff of this county to the common jail of the county, that you be kept in safety until the eighteenth day of October, A. D. 1912; that on that day, between the hours of nine o'clock in the forenoon and four o'clock in the afternoon, upon and from a scaffold which shall in the meantime be erected pursuant to law, you be, by the said sheriff and his assistants, hanged by the neck until you shall be dead; and your body shall be turned over to such of your relatives as shall apply for it, or if none applies, that then it shall be disposed of according to the laws of this state.

"And the court orders that there shall be present at such hanging such persons as the law requires as set forth in section 441 of the Criminal Code of this state.

"And now, George Engel, farewell; may God be merciful to you, who were not merciful to your fellowbeings.

"Mr. Sheriff, the prisoner is committed to your care for the proper and timely execution of the orders of the court."

PINCKNEYVILLE, ILLINOIS, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17, 1912.

ENGLE TO BE HANGED FRIDAY

TRIPLE MURDERER OF DU QUOIN TO BE JUSTLY PUNISHED FOR CRIME OF MAY 29.

Tomorrow, October 18, 1912, George Engel will pay the penalty for the murder of his wife, her unborn babe and his sister-in-law, whom he so cruelly stabbed at the home of his father-in-law, John Yost, in Du Quoin on the evening of May 29, 1912.

On the ill fated day Engel and his wife quarrled and she went to the home of her father and when her husband sent one of the children after her and when she failed to come he went and commanded her to return to his home.

Upon the arrival at the home he was met at the door by his sister-in-law, who ordered him off and then he drew a butcher knife, which he had concealed about his person and stabbed her in the heart, killing her instantly. His wife was stabbed in the back by the fiend, who was not satisfied with his bloody work. His wife lived four days after the [illegible]

Engel had the very best legal advice and assistance and was given a fair tril. Since that time he has been confined to the county jail and at all times has displayed unlimited nevre.

Last Monday Engel's four children were allowed to spend the day with him. He was attired in a nice suit of black which had previously been bought for his burial robe, was clean shaven and made a nice appearance. He spent the day in the parlors of the jail with the little fellows, ate dinner in the dining room with his children as his guests. The little folks enjoyed being with their parent and did not seem to realize that he was a prisoner nor that it would be the last time they would be with him.

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"It is as true now as it was in the days of the Hebrew prophet that he who sows to the wind must be content if he is compelled to reap the inevitable whirlwind. You have sown to the wind, Mr. Engel, and there remains to you nothing but the reaping of the whirlwind.

"It is hard for me to multiply words. It is is hard task for one man to sit in judgement over another—to utter the words that shall send that other to an ignominous death upon the gallows. I deeply regret the necessity that compels me to utter those words; but under the laws of the State of

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He was tried in the city court in in the August term at which time he confessed to one of the most horrible murders that was ever committed in Perry county. A verdict of guilty was returned the same day and Judge B. W. Pope, one of the best and most competent jurists in Southern Illinois, pronounced the death sentence. Engel had the very best legal advice and assistance and was given a fair tril. Since that time he has been confined to the county jail and at all times has displayed unlimited nevre.

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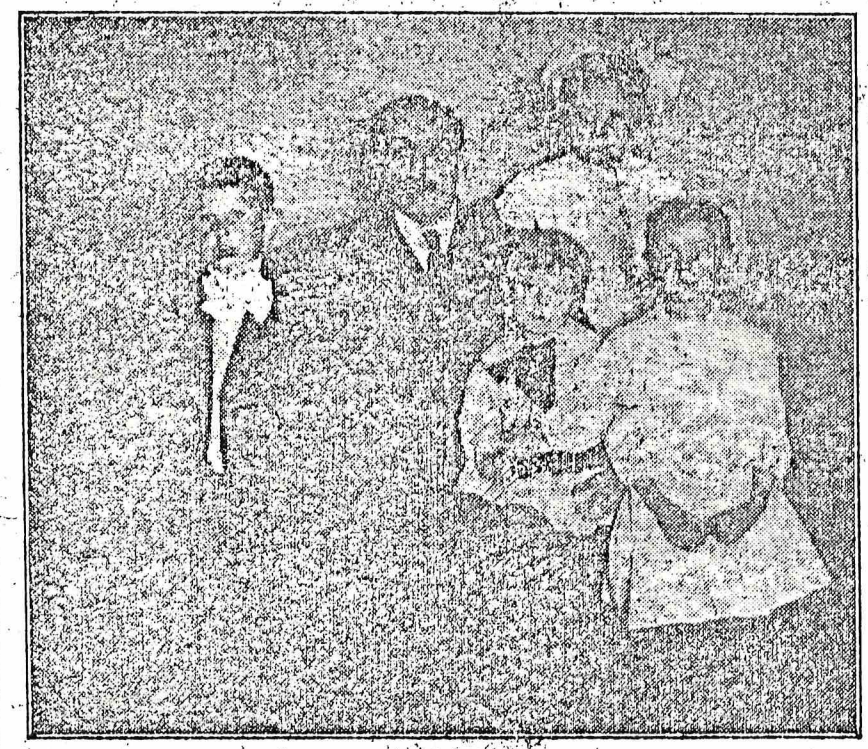
They range in age from ten to four years. The visit and the presence of these little ones, who will be after tomorrow deprived of the love of father and mother and who will have to fight the battle of life alone, aroused the feelings of a number of our non-capital punishment believers and an effort was made to have Engel's sentence to life imprisonment. But the effort was short lived as it was scoffed at in Du Quoin where the deed was done. The sympathy of our people goes ont to the children.

TRIPLE MURDERER IS HANGED

ENGEL RECEIVES JUST TREATMENT--WALKED TO GALLOWS--ACTS VERY CALM.



GEO. ENGLE AND CHILDREN

George Engel was executed at the county jail in this city last Friday morning at 9:44 in the presence of the county officials of Perry county and adjoining counties and many spectators. About nine o'clock Sheriff Sam Duncan read the death warrant to Engel, who listened attentively throughout. After the reading Engel had a talk with Father Eschmann of Du Quoin in which he told the priest of his birth and earlier life.

At 9:30 the sheriff went to the cell and told the condemned man everything was ready. Engel arose without any hesitancy and walked from his cell, smiling and smoking a cigar, to the scaffold with the priest by his side. When the scaffold was reached he made a talk, in which he said he committed the crime, which our readers are familiar with, in a fit of passion. Said while Father Eschmann had been very kind to him, as had the sheriff and his corps of able assistants, he had not been converted to the Catholic religion, but was still a Protestant. In this statement he asked the priest to tell the people he was still a Lutheran. He also asked Father Eschmann to look after his little ones and tell them good-bye for him. He then told the Father good-bye and then called boldly out "good-bye to the world, good-bye to everybody." After the cap was pulled down over his face he said to the sheriff "hurry up." These were his last words.

When all was in readiness Sheriff Duncan kicked the trigger and Engel was no more. Twelve minutes later Drs. J. S. Templeton and J. T. Marlow of Tamaroa pronounced Engel dead and upon examination the physicians stated that the murderer's neck had been broke. From the expression on his face when the cap was removed death had come without a move or a struggle. After the twelve witnesses, who had been duly sworn in as such, had signed the necessary papers, the body was taken in charge of by Undertaker Weinberg of Du Quoin and removed to the latter city and interred in the Catholic cemetery beside his wife, which was his request, and for the sake of his little children the request was complied with.

The day before the execution the triple murderer broke down and spent most of the day crying and bemoaning his fate. But after Father Eschmann came and spent the night with him he seemed to regain his self-control and went to the scaffold unassisted and without resistance. He also ate a hearty breakfast, drank some beer and smoked continuously.

Engel, without a doubt, got his just deserts, as every intelligent man and woman will admit, but never-the-less, the day of the execution was a blue one and the unpleasant affair cast a gloom over the city of Pinckneyville, as it did thirty years ago when James Vaughn met his death on the gallows in the same jail for the murder of William Watts of Tamaroa. This was during the term of office of Ex-Sheriff Thos. Penwarden, who witnessed the execution of George Engel on October 18, 1912.

Thus the story of Engel's crime and death has passed into history.

THE COUNTY JOURNAL, PERCY, IL. Oct. 8th, 1987

The Last Hanging Held In Pinckneyville

There was a time when hanging was the most common form of capital punishment, and no doubt several early "horse thieves," murderers and other criminals met their demise at the end of a rope.

Probably the most famous Southern Illinois hanging occurred in the 1920s when mobster Charlie Birger was hanged in Benton. There was also a hanging, possibly the last one ever held, in Pinckneyville. It occurred October 18, 1912.

George Engel was the man sentenced to death for the brutal murder of his wife, Rosa, her unborn baby and his wife's sister which had occurred May 29 of that year. The incident occurred in the home of Engel's father-in-law.

That day, Engel and his wife had quarreled in their DuQuoin home and she had gone to her father's house, also in DuQuoin. Engel soon sent one of his children to tell her to come home, but she would not do so. Apparently in a fit of rage, Engel went to the father-in-law's home to get his wife.

Engel was met at the door by his wife's sister who told him to leave. Instead he took a butcher knife from concealment in his clothes and stabbed the woman in the heart killing her instantly. He then stabbed his wife in the back. She lived for four days. She apparently was pregnant.

Engel tried to escape but was caught that night and placed in jail. His trail was held in

Death Sentence Went To George Engel

August before Judge B.W. Pope in DuQuoin City Court. Engel reportedly confessed to the murders and the death penalty was recommended by the jury.

Upon pronouncing sentence, Judge Pope said, "The crime you (Engel) committed was a terrible one. It was brutal, unprovoked and utterly inexcusable. If you failed to retain the respect, regard and love of your wife, it was, no doubt, your own fault. You had promised to love, cherish and protect her so long as you both should live. You betrayed that trust. She had done nothing to forfeit the right to live upon earth; and when you ruthlessly slew her, you took that which you were not able to return, and the forfeit for the awful deed must be your own life."

"It is a hard task for one man to sit in judgment over another—to utter the words that shall send that other man to an ignominous death upon the gallows. I deeply regret the necessity that compels me to utter those words; but under the laws of Illinois you have forfeited every right to live among men, and those laws say you must die," the judge said.

Engel was then taken to the jail in Pinckneyville to await the construction of a scaffold and his death. On the morning of October 18, a Friday, George Engel died. His hanging was at 9:44 a.m.

Sheriff Sam Duncan read the death warrant in the cell as Engel listened. Engel then talked with a Catholic priest.

Following a night of sobbing and steady use of tobacco, Engel walked from his cell, smiling and smoking a cigar. When they reached the scaffold, Engel called out boldly, "good bye." The hood was pulled over his head as Engel uttered, "hurry up."

The sheriff released the trigger, the trap door opened and Engel plunged through the opening. Twelve minutes later he was pronounced dead.

The body was taken to a nearby mortuary then buried in the Catholic Cemetery in DuQuoin next to his wife's grave—which was Engel's request. Even though Engel was visited by a Catholic priest during his last hours, he was not a Catholic and told the priest to tell others he was a Protestant.

George Engel was probably the last hanging which took place in Pinckneyville. However, at least one other was held earlier.

James Vaughn died by hanging in the Perry County seat in about the year 1882 for the murder of William Watts of Tamaroa.

Information for this story was provided by Rex Franklin of Vergennes.

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DU QUOIN, ILLINOIS FRIDAY EVENING, MAY 31, 1912.

MURDERS SISTER-IN-LAW; STABS HIS WIFE WHO MAY DIE

At the home of Philip Yost, on North Chestnut street, there occurred Wednesday evening, one of the most horrible murders in the history of Du Quoin, when George Engel stabbed his sister-in-low, Anna Yost, to death, and probably fatally wounded his wife, Rosa. Engel is now confied in the county jail to await the action of the grand jury. It has been frequently reported on the streets that he injured one of his children but this is untrue.

It seems that Engel and his wife had been having trouble for some time, and, according to the statement of his wife, has often threatened her life. Mrs. Engel had been staying at the home of her father for a few days and Wednesday evening Engel went to the house and asked her if she would go home and she replied, "I will not go with you and be treated like a dog." At this point he asked each one of his three children, who range in age from 7 to 10 years, if they wished to go home, and each replied they did not. He then addressed his wife, again asking her to go home, but she refused. At the time, Engel, his wife, her sister, Anna Yost, and Engel's children were in the room. When she refused the last time he started towards her in a threatening manner, at the same time drawing a butcher knife from his pocket and attacked his wife, and Miss Yost interfered. After slashing his wife he turned on his Miss Yost. One blow with the big knife cut the third rib on the left side in twain, and severed the "A" artery. He stabbed her eight or nine times about the arms and shoulders. Miss Yost fell to the floor in a dying condition and expired in a few minutes.

Mrs. Engel received several stab wounds on the neck and shoulders, however, the wound which it is feared may prove fatal, was inflicted

divorce and resumed her maiden name. The corner's jury consisted of L. C. Zoeckler, foreman; James T. McGowan, clerk; Jackson Cook, E. L. Burkel, W. C. Cook and Charles Archibald.

MURDERED WOMAN IS BURIED

The funeral of Miss Anna Yost, who died Wednesday night from a knife wound at the hands of her brother-in-law, George Engel, was held this afternoon at the Sacred Heart Catholic church, Rev. C. J. Eschmann conducting the services The sermon delivered by Rev. Eschmann was timely, appropriate and contained much advice and admonition. Miss Yost had been married but was divorced and resumed her maiden name. She leaves a father, Phillip Youst and a sister, Mrs. Rose Engel, who is not expected to live.

Interment took place in the Catholic cemetery.

OPENING OF NEW AIRDOME

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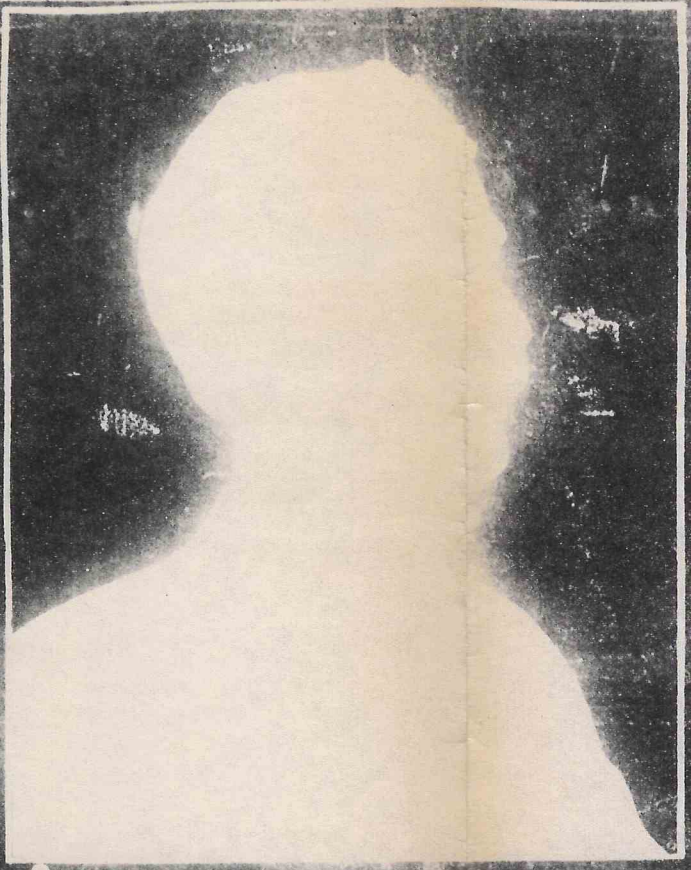

SECRETARY JAMES A. ROSE DEAD

Springfield, Ill., May 31.—James A. Rose, secretary of state, died at his home in this city Wednesday afternoon after a brief illness of less than two days. Internal hemorrages seemed to be the base of his affliction. He was 61 years old and has held the office of secretary of state since 1896, and was a candidate for re-election to his fifth term and his death makes a vacancy on the Republicrn state ticket, which will be filled by the state central committee. His unexpired term of a few months will be filled by appointment by the Governor.

Mr. Rose began his political career in his native county Pope, down on the Ohio River, and was county clerk of that county before he got into state politics.

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Mrs. Christ Yost fled from the room when the crazed and bloodthirsty man began stabbing. She testified at the coroner's inquest that she ran because she was afraid Engel would attack her. Citizens heard her screaming and hastened to the scene of the tradegy. After committing the crime the murderer ran from the house and started north but was captured when he had gone a short distance by John Hagar, Lucius Posey, Charles Stanhouse and Charles Warren. They found a razor and several other articles on his person. His clothing across his stomach was slashed as though he had attempted to take his own life. When he was being taken to the jail he asked several of the men to kill him as his relatives now wanted him to die.

As he entered the door at the jail he expressed his regret for committing the crime. A crowd gathered on the streets and several crys of "lynch him" and "hang him" were heard and probably would have taken the murdered from his jail if some one had offered to lead the way. A leader would possibly have been secured later had not Sheriff Sam T. Duncan been notified and came at once. The sheriff [illegible] him to the county jail at Henderson for safe keeping.

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OPENING OF NEW AIRDOME

The new airdome which has been erected by Reid and Yemm, the popular play photo men, was opened to the public last evening. A record breaking crowd attended. The seating capacity is about 1000 and many were standing.

A ten piece orchestra furnished music and the pictures were good. The members of the G. A. R. were given complimentary tickets. Photographer Ring made a flash light picture of the assembled audience.

COLLEGE HONORS DU QUOIN MAN

Rev. Charles E. Smith, minister of the Main Street Christian church received word today from the Puget Sound University of Tacoma, Wash., asking him to consider the position of professor of English Literature in that college. This is quite an honor which has been confered upon Rev. Smith and by the offer this institution feels confident of his competency.

It is understood that Rev. Smith has decided not to accept the offer

THANKS.

The matron of the children's home wishes to thank Mrs. F. E. Martin for a donation of vegetables, and also Mrs. Stricker for a second donation of vegetables from the

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Richardson's Filo Silk, per skein	.01
Colored head pin cubes 5c value at (1,800 cubes to be sold at this price)	.01
Extra large cans talcum powder at	.07
Ladies' dutch collars and other neckwear 15c to 25c Values at	.09
2000 yds. tarchon and Val. laces at 12 yds. for	.25
Ladies' 25c and 50c belts at	.10
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DU QUOIN, ILLINOIS, THURSDAY EVENING, JUNE 6, 1912

SECOND VICTIM OF GEORGE ENGEL DIED YESTERDAY—THE FUNERAL HELD THIS AFTERNOON

Mrs. Rose Engel Dies As Result of a Brutal Attack.

LINGERED ONE WEEK

Dead Woman Soon to Have Been a Mother Again.

Mrs. Rose Engel died at the home of her brother, Charles Yost, in this city yesterday afternoon about 4 o'clock, after lingering between life and death since last Wednesday night, at which time she received the wound, which caused her death, at the hands of her husband, George Engel, who at the same time took the life of her sister, Anna Yost.

A week ago occured the tragedy that will go on record as being the most brutal and heartless murder in the history of this city. George Engel, without the least provocation attacked his wife and her sister and in cold blood, with a knife took their lives.

The crime which caused the death of Mrs. Engel was the means of the sacrificing of two more lives to the blood-thirsty anger of George Engel, as the wife was soon to have been a mother. This fact only made the crime more horrible as the man now has the lives of his sister-in-law, his wife and unborn child, to answer for.

Although the dead woman remained long as she did. From the shoulders down there has never been the slightest motion, since the wound was received, the whole lower portion of the body being completely paralyzed.

The deceased was about 40 years of age and leaves three children, aged 7, 9 and 10 years, the latter being present at the time of the tragedy.

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SPONTANEOUS COMBUSTION?

Yesterday afternoon about 5 o'clock fire destroyed about seven or eight tons of valuable broom corn, estimated at about $1,000 and almost destroyed the building in which it was stored. The building is located on West Reed street, adjoining the old Bottling Works building and was formerly used as a residence. The Utility Company owned the property, but had rented it to Banker Harry C. Miller, in which to store broom corn.

It is not known just how or in what part of the building the blaze originated, but it is the opinion of some that spontaneous combustion started it. Many others firmly believe that some person set it on fire, however, the former opinion seems more plausible, as there was no reason known why any one should want the building destroyed. The building was closed and locked both doors and windows. The baled corn was tightly packed in some rooms from floor to ceiling and it is the general accepted theory that spontaneous combustion was the direct cause of the blaze. The fire department made a good run and did some very effective work. The fire was finally extinguished after a long, hard fight and the company returned to their homes about 7 o'clock.

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TIED NOTED TIE EVENING

[illegible] Miss Dorothy [illegible] of the [illegible] Mr. [illegible] and the ceremony will take place this evening at 7 o'clock. It is to be a very quiet affair, only the immediate families of the bride and groom being present. Rev. W. T. Martin, pastor of the first M. E. church will officiate.

Shortly after the ceremony the newlyweds will depart for Chicago. A three weeks honey moon will be spent in the west.

Our $7.50 lawn mowers, now $5.
C. M. House 5 tf

The Ramona Sewing Circle will meet at the home of Mrs. T. F. Burnett at 310 North Line Street on Friday, June 7, instead of Thursday. Friends invited.

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The affair was [illegible] Bee restaurant a[illegible] delightful. Thi[illegible] event for the b[illegible] her marriage.

4—BIG REEL[illegible]

At Joy To-Nigh[illegible]

Pathe's Weekly of current events, showing many [illegible] such as cyclone wrecks, railroad wrecks, etc.

"The Cowboy's Stratagem." Western Drama.

"A Timely Lesson." A story cleverly told wi[illegible] situations throughout.

"The Jam Closet." Add to a well filled closet a [illegible] door and in about an open and you will have [illegible] comedy is a scream.

"The Wife of a Genius." A beautiful and thrillin[illegible]

This program will be shown at the Lyric if [illegible]

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week ago occured the tragedy will go on record as being most brutal and heartless mur- in the history of this city. ge Engel, without the least vocation attacked his wife and sister and in cold blood, with a e took their lives.

he crime which caused the th of Mrs. Engel was the means he sacrificing of two more lives the blood-thirsty anger of ge Engel, as the wife was soon ave been a mother. This fact made the crime more horrible as the man now has the lives is sister-in-law, his wife and un- child, to answer for.

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FUNERAL HELD THIS MORNING

The remains of Mrs. Mary E Tingley, mother of Mrs. I. R. Spilman arrived in this city, from Seattle, Wash, this morning, accompanied by Mrs. Clifford Wiley, her sister. The body was removed to the Main Street Christian church where the funeral took place this afternoon, conducted by Revs. Charles E. Smith and William M. Maxton.

Interment took place in the Odd Fellows cemetery, at the side of her husband, who was buried there in 1894.

INVITATION TO JUNIORS

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